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Docket No.: ED-2014 ICCD-0122

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and approval; Comment Request; Consolidated State Application

AGENCY: Department of Education (ED), Office of Elementary and Secondary Education (OESE)

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 3501 *et seq.*), ED is proposing an extension of an existing information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before [insert the 30th day after publication of this notice].

ADDRESSES: Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http://www.regulations.gov by selecting Docket ID number ED-2014-ICCD-0122 or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. If the regulations.gov site is not available to the public for any reason, ED will temporarily accept comments at ICDocketMgr@ed.gov. Please note that comments submitted by fax or e-mail and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted; ED will ONLY accept comments during the comment period in this mailbox when the regulations.gov site is not available. Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, LBJ, Mailstop L-OM-2-2E319, Room 2E115, Washington, D.C. 20202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Andrew Brake, 202-260-0998.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this

collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: Consolidated State Application

OMB Control Number: 1810-0576

Type of Review: An extension of an existing information collection.

Respondents / Affected Public: State, Local or Tribal Government

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 30

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 2,400

Abstract: Title IX, Part C, Sections 9301-9306, of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), as amended, authorizes the Secretary of Education to provide States the option of submitting consolidated applications to obtain funds for covered programs in which the State participates. The purpose of consolidated applications as defined in ESEA is to improve teaching and learning by encouraging greater cross-program coordination, planning, and service delivery; to enhance program integration; and to provide

greater flexibility and less burden for State educational agencies.

The Department will use the information from the consolidated State application as the basis for approving funding under the covered ESEA, as amended programs (in which the State participates). The Department also will use the performance targets, baseline data, and other related information in the consolidated application to continue to assess the degree of progress States make over time in achieving ESEA goals. As with previous collections, the information in this collection will allow the Department to continue to monitor effectiveness of the use of program funds, and provide grantees with technical assistance.

Dated: November 5, 2014

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